PARKS, RECREATION AND BEACHES ADVISORY BOARD MEETING Wednesday, June 23, 2010 – 7:00 p.m. City Hall, 8th Floor Conference Room 100 North Andrews Avenue Fort Lauderdale, Florida

<u>AGENDA</u>

Roll Call
Pledge of Allegiance
Approval of Minutes

1. Department Report	Terry Rynard
2. Aquatic Programs	Ken Roland
3. Centennial Markers	Terry Rynard
City of Fort Lauderdale/Executive Airport/Stadio Vicinity Land Use Amendment	um(s) Jimmy Koeth
5. Board Comments/Communications to the Com	mission Mark Hartman
6. Adjournment	Mark Hartman

Other items of interest

<u>Purpose</u>: Study and advise the City Commission on all matters pertaining to the use, maintenance, acquisition, rules and regulations of the parks and recreation facilities of the City.

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FORT LAUDERDALE

Memorandum

Date:

June 18, 2010

To:

Parks, Recreation, and Beaches Advisory Board

From:

David Miller, Recreation Superintendent

Subject: Aquatic Operations

Ken Roland, Pool Operations Coordinator, will discuss the upcoming summer aquatic programs and operations. He will give a brief overview on facilities and provide some relevant statistics.

Mr. Roland will also update the Board on the Lightning Prediction System project undertaken by the department. Mr. Roland proposed this project to the department and has seen it through completion.

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Parks & Recreation Department

Memorandum

Date:

June 18, 2010

To:

Parks, Recreation, and Beaches Advisory Board

From:

Phil Thornburg, Parks and Recreation Director

Subject: Centennial Markers

Wingate Payne of the Centennial Celebration Committee will present information regarding Centennial Markers to the Board. In May 2008, the City Commission created the Centennial Celebration Committee. The Vision Statement sees the centennial as a "celebration of Fort Lauderdale's heritage that promotes the awareness of our history and creates lasting legacies as we move into the future."

Some of these legacies would be four state heritage markers and up to ten plaques in parks identifying the individuals for whom the parks are named. The four markers are as follows: the 1961 Beach Wade-in at Las Olas, the SE 9th Avenue and the north bank of New River, Sailboat Bend at William Lauderdale Park and the Annie Tommie Seminole Camp at North Fork Elementary School or North Fork Park. Priority for the park plaques would be placed on the older parks such as George English Park, Bass Park, J.C. Carter Park, etc. The Centennial Celebration Committee would also like to see this information posted to the Parks and Recreation website.

In April, the City Commission approved funding for the markers and the plaques but expressed hopes that the committee could seek existing funding from departments or funding from the private sector for these and all of its proposals. The Commission also approved the hiring of a historian consultant to prepare these materials and ensure their accuracy.

FORT LAUDERDALE

Memorandum

Date: June 18, 2010

To: Parks, Recreation, and Beaches Advisory Board

From: Terry Rynard, Parks and Recreation Assistant Director

Subject: City of Fort Lauderdale/Executive Airport/Stadium(s) - Vicinity Land Use

Amendment

As presented to the Board at the April 28, 2010 meeting, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has advised the City of Fort Lauderdale that the existing land use (Park/Open Space) and zoning (Parks, Recreation and Open Space) of the stadium property at Executive Airport are not acceptable due to the surplus property deed restrictions requiring the use of the property for "public airport purposes and only public airport purposes." The property includes the existing baseball stadium, practice fields and Lockhart Stadium.

The Planning and Zoning Department, after consultation with other relevant Departments' staff, recommended that the City address the issue by amending the existing Park/Open Space land use (LU) designation to Transportation LU designation. This designation would allow the existing stadium use to continue and would meet the requirements of the FAA mandate.

As discussed at the April 28th meeting, within the City of Fort Lauderdale Comprehensive Plan, Transportation LU permits the airport use and facilities related to its function and parks, recreation and open space uses. The process would ultimately also require amending the Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) to permit a Public/Private Recreation use in the GAA (General Aviation Airport) zoning district as a conditional use. At it's June 16th meeting, the Planning & Zoning Board recommended (7-0) that the City Commission transmit this amendment to Broward County and all other required agencies.

At the June 15, 2010 meeting, the City Commission reviewed a proposal by the Schlitterbahn Development Group (SDG), which included a water park and multi-sport, multi-use athletic facility. Lodging, which is also included as part of the SDG proposal, is currently not a permitted use in the Transportation LU designation permitted uses section. In addition, a portion of the SDG proposal included practice soccer fields on property at the Executive Airport that is designated Employment Center LU. Employment Center LU does not permit recreation uses as a principal use. Therefore, in order to accommodate the SDG proposal, an amendment to the City of Fort Lauderdale Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map and the Broward County Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map from the existing Employment Center LU designation to the Transportation LU designation for a portion of the property at the Executive Airport would allow recreation uses as a principal use (See Exhibit 1). In addition, the SDG proposal would require text changes to the Comprehensive Plan's Transportation LU permitted uses section to allow for uses permitted in the Commercial Recreation LU section, which includes Lodging. Regarding the Zoning, a rezoning and Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) amendment would be necessary to permit the SDG proposal.

The FAA has indicated that the SDG proposal might be acceptable, subject to FAA review and approval of lease terms with fair market value as the basis of lease payments, which is consistent with City requirements for non-aeronautical leases on Airport property. The agency has also indicated that it would not object to the proposed lodging use.

Any land use amendment proposed by the Fort Lauderdale City Commission is subject to Broward County Commission approval and a recertification hearing by the Broward County Planning Council. Broward County requires the Land Use designation be changed prior to any City initiated rezoning

Staff Recommendation:

The staff recommends that the City transmit a Fort Lauderdale Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map and a Text Amendment to Broward County and the Florida Department of Community Affairs in order to amend Employment Center to Transportation LU designation and to amend text within the Transportation LU permitted uses section in order to comport with the surplus property deed restrictions and to allow for public airport purposes.

